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Gladioli



GLADIOLUS
DOROTHY McKIBBIN

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Introduction

I take great pleasure in presenting you this catalogue which contains a list of about 50 named varieties of choice Gladioli, comprising a large range of colors, shapes and sizes both in plain and ruffled petal varieties.

The great majority of these varieties are the Kunderd productions. I am making a specialty of this particular strain and am using it as my foundation stock. I am confident that none more vigorous nor more beautiful can be had.

Those who are acquainted only with the old style Gladioli will hardly recognize the large and gorgeous flowers of the modern hybrids which are the result of thousands of crosses made by specialists in this line of work.

The combinations of colors and the beautiful blending and markings of the throat and petals can not be surpassed by any other flower.

In the fall of 1918 I introduced "Dorothy McKibbin", the early ruffled pink forcing and garden variety which has been given the distinction of being in a class by itself. In 1920 I named and introduced "Highland Laddie" a novelty; a combination of color resembling Scottish plaids. "Gold Pheasant" and "Carmen" I named and placed on the market last year.

"Gold Pheasant" is a clear yellow Primulinus Hybrid with slight pencil like markings of red on lower petals.

"Carmen" is a large lily-like flower of a clear cardinal red with white penciled blotches on lower petals.

I have thousands of new seedlings that are of a very high quality and from these I expect to be able to name and introduce a few each year that will be as good as the best in their respective classes.

My aim has been to produce a superior bulb product that will give the best results to the amateur as well as the professional grower. To do this I have made a special study of the soil fertilization and cultivation and the results that I have achieved are seen by the many letters from satisfied customers telling the wonderful results that they have had with the bulbs they have purchased from me.

I wish to thank all my old customers for their liberal patronage in the past and shall use my utmost endeavor to merit their patronage in the future.

I also wish to say that I shall welcome any new customer and give them as courteous and liberal treatment as can possibly be given.



"THE TWO DOROTHS"

Description and Prices

- Alice Tiplady**—A grand, large primulinus of most beautiful orange saffron color. Very choice.....
.....Each 25c; doz. \$2.50; 100, \$18.50
- Arizona Rose**—A very large flower of finest rose-pink color. Almost a solid color. Very choice.....
.....Each 20c; doz. \$2.00; per 100 \$16.00
- Altair**—Extra tall, primulinus of finest salmon saffron. A grand color.....Each 25c; doz. \$2.50
- America**—a large, late solid pink, lighter throat, beautiful....
.....Each 5c; doz. 50c; per 100 \$3.50
- Al Shira**—Large deep wine red lower petals and throat almost black. Pansy like shape. Very attractive.....
.....Each 50c; doz. \$5.00
- Butterfly**—:(Primulinus). A delicate salmon-pink, nicely ruffled, very strong and vigorous. The blooms resemble a giant butterfly....Each 15c; doz. \$1.50; per 100 \$11.50
- Bright Red**—A beautiful bright red, a solid color, large bloom and many open at a time. Very showy.....
.....Each 25c; doz. \$2.50
- Carmen**—Tall, showy, brilliant cardinal red with prominent white blotch on lower petals. Very lily-like.....
.....Each 50c; doz. \$5.00
- Cherry King**—Bright, rich cherry color. Very lily-like flower and beautiful.....
.....Each 10c; doz. \$1.00; per 100 \$8.00



CARMEN

Carmen is a large lily-like flower of a clear cardinal red with white penciled blotches on lower petals. Very showy.

Chicago White—A very early, choice florist's variety.....
.....Each 5c; doz. 50c

Challenger—Very large and vigorous plant. Giant bloom of dark, rich, velvety red, solid color. An extraordinary fine new variety.....Each 30c; doz. \$3.00

Crystal White—Tall spike, large bloom, many open at a time and is all its name implies. Very beautiful.....
.....Each 10c; doz. \$1.00; per 100 \$8.00

Defiance—Very large plant. Tall spike, many open. Delicate blush-white, fine throat. A very choice variety....
.....Each 35c; doz. \$3.50

Dorothy McKibbin—The new ruffled pink. A pure apple blossom tint, extraordinarily early, elegantly ruffled, with many open at a time. Cannot be excelled as a cut flower variety...Each 35c; doz. \$3.50; per 100 \$24.50

Gov. Hanly—A first-class cut flower and bedding variety. Early showy, tall, rich, cardinal red, with deeper throat color.....Each 10c; doz. \$1.00; per 100 \$7.50

Gold Pheasant—Beautiful yellow lower petals finely marked in penciled red, tall, straight spike with many open at a time. A first class gladiolus.....
.....Each 50c; doz. \$5.00; per 100 \$36.50

Highland Laddie—A tall, vigorous plant of many dark, harmonious colors, with many open at a time; must be seen to be appreciated.....Each 50c; doz. \$5.00

Joe Coleman—Very large and vigorous. Rich red, ruffled, very choice.....Each 25c; doz. \$2.50; per 100 \$18.50



GOLD PHEASANT

Gold Pheasant is a clear yellow Primulinus Hybrid with slight pencil-like markings of red on lower petals. Tall straight spikes with many open at a time.

- Kunderdi Glory**—Large, ruffled, beautiful creamy apricot with light tint of pink and fine markings of red on lower petals.....**Each 10c; doz. \$1.00**
- Lily White**—A pure all white forcing variety. Very early. As pure as a lily. Grand.....**Each 25c; doz. \$2.50**
- Large Buff**—A fine shade of soft buff, medium size bloom with rose penciling in throat. A rare color.....**Each 10c; doz. \$1.00**
- Mrs. Frank Pendleton**—Bright rose-pink on white background. A giant blotch of richest carmine red on lower petals. No grander variety in existence.....**Each 10c; doz. \$1.00; per 100 \$7.50**
- Magic**—Tall, large, rich purple throat blotches. Finest lavender blue. Very fine.....**Each 35c; doz. \$3.50**
- Myrtle**—A delicate rose-pink. The most beautiful pink yet produced in a gladiolus.....**Each 20c; doz. \$2.00**
- Magenta**—Tall. A beautiful large flower near "American Beauty" rose color. Many open at a time.....**Each 40c; doz. \$4.00**
- Mary Fennell**—A large wide open bloom of deep lilac shading paler to a soft yellow throat. Very beautiful.....**Each 20c; doz. \$2.00; per 100 \$15.00**
- Mrs. George Moulton**—A grand cerise deeper throat almost a solid color, large plant, tall, straight spike and many open at a time.....**Each 25c; doz. \$2.50**
- Mrs. W. E. Fryer**—A vigorous plant. Large wide open bloom. Finest orange scarlet. Very showy.....**Each 25c; doz. \$2.50**



SENTINEL

A wonderful Gladiolus with its large dark green drooping foliage and the tall straight spikes and from 4 to 7 large open blooms of bright pink with beautiful iris penciled throat, will attract the attention of the least concerned. And under the most unfavorable weather conditions it has never failed to produce the finest kind of cut flowers. Florists prefer it in preference to roses for floral work.

- Neutrality**—An “America” seedling. Larger plant and flower. Purer pink and showier, better form.....
.....Each 25c; doz. \$2.50; per 100 \$18.75
- Negerfurst**—Tall, dark red, many open at a time.....
.....Each 20c; doz. \$2.00
- Orange Glory**—Large ruffled, grand orange colored, with beautiful lighter throat. Very rich and striking color....
.....Each 25c; doz. \$2.50; per 100 \$18.75
- Pride of Goshen**—A giant ruffled of a salmon or flesh pink. Flowers very large and petals elegantly waved. A tall and vigorous plant....Each 15c; doz. \$1.50; per 100 \$11.50
- Panama**—An “America” seedling. Taller plant, larger bloom and brighter pink. Very beautiful.....
.....Each 10c; doz. \$1.00
- Rose Glory**—A very large and beautiful ruffled variety. Purest rose-pink color, deeper throat, extra fine.....
.....Each 50c; doz. \$5.00
- Racine**—Very dark red, flaked deeper, almost black, white in throat.....Each 25c; doz. \$2.50
- 1910 Rose**—Extra large flower, pure rose-pink of a very fine shade. Lower petals marked with narrow white line through center. Very fine.....
.....Each 20c; doz. \$2.00; per 100 \$15.00
- Roanoke**—A vigorous and large, rich, yellow primulinus. Many open at a time. Very fine.....
.....Each 20c; doz. \$2.00; per 100 \$15.00



ROSE GLORY

Rose Glory is a very large and beautiful ruffled variety. Purest rose-pink color. Grand and showy.

Sentinel—Very tall, strong plant. Large, pure rose-pink, with elegantly white penciled, iris-like throat. Very showy.....Each 15c; doz. \$1.50; per 100 \$11.00

Summer Beauty—No finer shade of pink. Tall and showy. Grand.....Each 15c; doz. \$1.50; per 100 \$11.00

White Glory—A gorgeous pure white of extrasize. Nicely ruffled with beautiful iris blue throat. Grand.....
.....Each 35c; doz. \$3.50

White King—Tall, very rich sulphur-white, splendidly ruffled and nicely marked on lower petals.....
.....Each 10c; doz. \$1.00; per 100 \$7.50

A. B. Kunderd—Tall, large deeply ruffled flower of delicate cream color. Flushed with finest blush pink. Lower petals primrose cream with pink edges. Grand.....
.....Each \$1.00; doz. \$10.00

Mary Pickford—An extraordinary flower of most delicate cream-white. Finest soft sulphur-yellow throat. Good-sized blooms. Many open at a time. A grand white....
.....Each 35c; doz. \$3.50

Mrs. Dr. Norton—Tall stately plant. Blooms of the finest cream and pink. Lower petals soft sulphur-yellow flushed with pink. Very beautiful
.....Each 50c; doz. \$5.00

Pride of Lancaster—A brilliant orange salmon. Rich deeper orange throat. Tall Spike. Good size bloom. Many open at a time. A beautiful ruffled variety.....
.....Each 50c; doz. \$5.00



MRS. DR. NORTON

Mrs. Dr. Norton has a tall stately plant. Blooms of the finest cream and pink. Lower petals soft sulphur-yellow flushed with pink. Grand.

GLADIOLI IN MIXTURE

“Ideal Mixture”

Each year the demand for Gladioli in good mixture becomes greater, and in the past few years the demand has been far greater than the supply.

To meet this demand I have made up an ideal mixture of some of the best named and unnamed varieties. The unnamed varieties are of my own recent production, many of which resemble named varieties so closely that it does not warrant naming them. This mixture contains a wide range of colors, shapes and sizes of both the plain and ruffled petal varieties.

The name varieties in this mixture when sold under name range in price from \$1.00 to \$5.00 per dozen. Any one wishing a fine collection of Gladioli and not desirous of the name can make a great saving by purchasing this mixture.

Per dozen \$1.00; per 100 \$7.00.

6 at dozen rate; 25 at 100 rate.

“Fancy Mixed”

This is a very good mixture of the lighter shades of Pinks, Lavenders, Yellow, Orange, Salmon and White with a few of the more brighter colors.

Per dozen 60c; per 100 \$4.50.

6 at dozen rate; 25 at 100 rate.



DOROTHY McKIBBIN

Dorothy McKibbin has been tested by florists and pronounced first class for forcing purposes, has long, straight, wiry stems, the flowers growing well out of the foliage; extremely early, elegantly ruffled and of a most beautiful shade of pink; has a pure apple blossom tinted throat, blending to bright pink around the outer edges of the petals. It has a wide open flower with many open at a time.



BUTTERFLY

One of Mr. A. E. Kunderds new Primulinus Hybrids. Introduced in 1915. Has a most beautiful large wide open flower of a salmon-yellow flushed with pink. Grand.



AL SHIRA

Al Shira is a very deep wine red. Lower petals have deeper or almost a black velvet block. Very showy and grand.

Special Collections

I am offering five specially arranged collections for the benefit of those who find it difficult to make selections in order to obtain a variety of colors and a continuity of bloom.

I have made a special reduction on these five collections and no further discount will be given. I also reserve the privilege to substitute something as good or better in case the collections become broken.

When ordering collections please order by number.

COLLECTION NO. 1

Prepaid for \$1.00

1 Alice Tiplady	25c
1 Arizona Rose	20c
1 America	5c
1 Butterfly	15c
1 Cherry King	10c
1 Chicago White	5c
1 Dorothy McKibbin	35c

$\frac{1}{2}$ doz. of each for **\$5.35**

Total \$1.15

COLLECTION NO. 2

Prepaid for \$1.50

1 Bright Red	25c
1 Butterfly	15c
1 Cherry King	10c
1 Dorothy McKibbin	35c
1 White King	10c
1 Highland Laddie	50c
1 Lilywhite	25c

$\frac{1}{2}$ doz. of each for **\$7.15**

Total \$1.70



PRIDE OF GOSHEN

Pride of Goshen is a salmon or flesh pink. Flowers very large and petals elegantly waved. A giant ruffled variety.

COLLECTION NO. 3

Prepaid for \$2.00

1 Cherry King	10c
1 Butterfly	15c
1 Mrs. Frank Pendleton.....	10c
1 Bright Red	25c
1 Dorothy McKibbin	35c
1 Chicago White	5c
1 Gov. Hanly	10c
1 White King	10c
1 Lilywhite	25c
1 Large Buff	10c
1 Gold Pheasant	50c
1 Sentinel	15c
1 Orange Glory	25c

1/2 doz. of each for **\$10.50**

Total \$2.45

COLLECTION NO. 4

Prepaid for \$2.50

1 Mrs. Frank Pendleton	10c
1 Magic	35c
1 Mary Fennell	20c
1 Mrs. W. E. Fryer	25c
1 Gold Pheasant	50c
1 Pride of Goshen	15c
1 Roanoke	20c
1 Summer Beauty	15c
1 Sentinel	15c
1 Orange Glory	25c
1 White King	10c
1 Gov. Hanly	10c
1 Butterfly	15c
1 Dorothy McKibbin	35c

Three of each for **\$7.25**

Total \$3.00



MAGIC

Magic, the finest lavender blue. With large rich purple throat blotches. Tall slender spikes with many open at a time.

COLLECTION NO. 5

Prepaid for \$3.00

1 Butterfly	15c
1 Dorothy McKibbin	35c
1 Al Shira	50c
1 Alice Tiplady	25c
1 Highland Laddie	50c
1 Large Buff	10c
1 Cherry King	10c
1 Crystal White	15c
1 Gold Pheasant	50c
1 Carmen	50c
1 Altair	25c
1 Orange Glory	25c
1 Panama	10c

Total \$3.70

Three of each for \$8.75

Free with \$10.00; \$20.00 and \$30.00 Orders

\$10.00 order 1 Gold Pheasant Free

\$20.00 order 1 Gold Pheasant; 1 Highland Laddie Free

\$30.00 order 1 Gold Pheasant; 1 Highland Laddie; 1 Carmen Free.



GOV. HANLY

Gov. Hanly is a first-class cut flower and bedding variety. Early, showy, tall, rich, cardinal red, with deeper throat color.

Testimonials

Mrs. Bryce W. Fontaine, Tennessee, July 22, 1922—It was so gracious and kind of you to send me these beautiful Gladioli, they traveled well. As I unpacked them I plunged them into cool water, and now after an hour since they came, they are crisp and fresh. I am delighted to see the quality of Gladioli grown by an expert. While they are perfect they do not eclipse the results I got from the very fine corms you sent me. I can never forget my thrill of delight when I first saw your Dorothy McKibbin in bloom. You sent me a dozen corms; each corm produced two stalks of perfect flowers. I think Mrs. George Moulton is very handsome—Cherry Spot is pretty—Prince of India is very pretty. I will want them from you this autumn. I thank you a thousand times for the great pleasure this collection of Glads has given Dr. Fontaine and me.

Miss Helen M. Turner, Newport News, Va., June 10, 1922—I received the package of Gladioli bulbs and have delivered them to my friends, and they have all expressed their appreciation of them and their size. I wish to thank you for the extra bulbs you so kindly sent me of Al Shira.

Mrs. Julia E. Ferris, Illinois, March 17, 1922—I received my Gladioli bulbs yesterday, the 16th; was so much pleased with the size of the bulbs, so much larger than any I ever had before that I want to order some as a gift to a friend.

Rev. Frederick W. Blakeslee, Massachusetts, October 20, 1920—Please send me your catalog if you are publishing one now, I have a friend near by who has used your bulbs with great satisfaction.

George L. Fiske, Massachusetts, February 22, 1922—You may recall my buying a dozen Dorothy McKibbin of you last season. Dorothy is all you claim for it, and is a fine early Glad.

Fidelity National Bank and Trust Co., Alfred D. Rider, Missouri, April 7, 1922—I received promptly the bulbs recently ordered, and want to say they are the finest in appearance that I have ever received, and shall hope to have good results with them. Thank you for the extras.



JOE COLEMAN

Joe Coleman with its tall spike and from 4 to 9 large rich red ruffled blooms open at a time. Is radiantly beautiful.

Mrs. Bruce Fontaine, Tennessee, June 8, 1922—Dr. Fontaine and I are delighted with your Carmen, your Gold Pheasant and your Highland Laddie; they are distinctively beautiful. We especially admire Highland Laddie, it looks like a gorgeous butterfly. The corms of Dorothy McKibbin you sent me have bloomed perfectly and they are radiantly beautiful.

J. R. Warren, Camberwell, Victoria, Australia, December 2, 1921—Yours dated October 21st, 1921 to hand, also by the same mail two Dorothy McKibbins; these arrived in splendid order and condition, accept my thanks for sending two such nice, full, clean corms. Hope I may have good luck with them. I have about 150 or more varieties of named Glads I am hoping to work up a good choice exhibition strain of the latest and best Glads and should you at any time have anything very choice and good, you might send it along with your price for same and I will remit by return mail.

Madison Cooper, Publisher of the Flower Grower, July 25, 1919—Your variety Dorothy McKibbin has bloomed. It is early but just how early I cannot tell exactly but think it as early as Halley. It has nice straight spikes, blooms well spaced on the spikes and of a pleasing apple blossom color. It would seem that Dorothy McKibbin should make a fine florists sort, especially as it is about the only early ruffled variety I know of.

Thomas McCormick, Washington, August 1, 1922—This spring I purchased 100 of your Gladioli bulbs in mixture and I am taking this opportunity of letting you know they are beautiful. I certainly appreciate getting such fine stock. Some of them are 5 to 6 ft. tall. Please see that I get your new catalog when issued as I want to get some more of your named varieties.

George Wm. Veditz, Colorado, August 18, 1922—Dear Sir: I trust it is not too late to thank you for the very prompt and generous manner in which you filled my order of April 4, last. We were appreciative and comment was made on the fine appearance of bulbs you sent. Dorothy McKibbin, Rose Glory, Pride of Goshen and Kunderdi Glory are now in bloom and have given us our first realization of the beauty of the finer varieties of Gladioli.

G. D. Murray, Toronto, Canada, October 29, 1920—Possibly you will be pleased to know what success I had with the small lot of Gladioli I bought from you last spring. Magic was the first to bloom and I was very pleased with it. From one bulb planted I now have two blooming size and about fifteen large bulblets and a host of small ones. Alice Tiplady was magnificent and attracted great attention. Altair and Butterfly were very beautiful. The balance bloomed while I was on my vacation so I missed them, but the folks told me they were beauties and admired by every one. The bulbs I have just dug are great healthy looking fellows. I am most certainly satisfied with your stock.

Thomas McCormick, Washington, September 21, 1922—Under separate cover I have sent you a copy of our local newspaper giving a report of our Dahlia Show held last week. You will notice that I took first prize for best 12 Gladioli. This was open to all classes and the fact I won from a commercial grower speaks in praise of your Gladioli. I intend ordering more as soon as I get your new catalog.

Mrs. Frank L. Perin, Ohio, September 13, 1922—In answer to enclosed letter I am having the most wonderful and splendid blooms now. I planted them late in July; near the end of the month the stalks are taller than the early planting and I think the blooms more gorgeous. I will certainly give you an order for some of your finest bulbs for next spring. I think Dorothy McKibbin is one of the best and most beautiful.

Joseph F. Leitenberger, Pennsylvania, January 12, 1922—I received the bulbs of Butterfly and Dorothy McKibbin o. k. some time ago and wish to say that they were the largest and heaviest bulbs I have ever purchased. If you treat all your customers as you did me and give them such fine stock for their money, I am safe in saying that your business will continue to grow in leaps and bounds. For my part I hope it does.

Mrs. C. W. Rankin, Michigan, April 17, 1922—I was so pleased with your bulbs that I was glad to find that I needed a few more—Indeed I deliberately created a vacancy in two rows by giving away for a birthday gift the bulbs I had just bought from———. I couldn't have parted with yours. Will you please send me the following order.

Mrs. Loren M. Meek, Indiana, March 17, 1921—I received the order of Gladioli bulbs and was certainly pleased with them, and want to thank you for being so very liberal in sending me so many extra bulbs as I do appreciate them so much.



DOROTHY McKIBBIN
Exact Size of Bloom

Planting, Culture and Storage

If given plenty of sunshine, moisture, and cultivation the Gladioli will do well on most any kind of soil. The soil should be plowed or spaded deep and thoroughly pulverized and if fertilizer in the way of stable manure is used it should be applied in the fall preceding the planting season. Care should be used not to overdo this part of it. Always keep in mind that plants and flowers need a balanced ration or food as well as an animal to thrive and do the best.

Clay soils require as a rule more humus and not so much lime as the sandy or more lighter soils. A good commercial fertilizer can be used to good advantage at planting time.

Prepared sheep manure is one of the best for this purpose. After covering the bulbs about one inch deep with soil the fertilizer can be applied and covered.

Glads never do well planted against the wall of the house or under shade trees.

For early blooms plant as soon as all danger of freezing weather is past and for a continuation of the blooming season plant at intervals of about two weeks up until the latter part of June. For best results they should not be planted closer than eight inches apart in the row and from four to six inches deep, and change planting location each year.

In cutting the spikes from four to five leaves should be left on the plant to insure a good bulb growth.

The bulbs should be dug in the fall before they get too ripe, cut the tops off close to the bulb, dry in the air and sunshine then store in a cool dry cellar. Keep as near 40 degrees as possible.

Place Your Order Early

It is to your advantage as well as mine to place your order as soon as you receive this catalogue.

All orders received before March 1st will be held until proper time for shipment when all danger of freezing in transit has passed, unless immediate shipment is desired in which case the bulbs will travel at purchasers' risk against frost.

A Special Offer

I will give 10 per cent discount on all orders received before January 15, amounting to \$2.00 or more, barring the five special collections.

Please Note

For the prices quoted I deliver bulbs transportation free to all points in the United States, England and Canada. Kindly bear this in mind when comparing my prices with those of other growers.

Small orders are filled with as much consideration as large ones.

Where ordering by the 100 not less than 25 will be shipped at 100 rate; less than 25 at doz. rate; no less than 6 at doz. rate; less than 6 at single rate.

No bulblets or planting stock for sale this season.



MRS. FRANK PENDLETON